



**MINUTES OF THE FOURTEENTH MEETING OF THE BOARD OF
MANAGEMENT HELD ON 07 DECEMBER 2012 AT 11:00 HRS AT THE
CONFERENCE ROOM**

The fourteenth meeting of the Board of Management was held on 07 December 2012 at 11:00 hrs at the Conference Room.

PRESENT:

The following were present:

Dr R K Pachauri	Chairman
Dr Leena Srivastava	
Mr Arun Seth	
Mr Shri Prakash	
Dr Arabinda Mishra	
Dr Prateek Sharma	
Prof Vinod Tewari	
Prof VVN Kishore	
Mr Prabir Sengupta	
Dr Rajiv Seth	

Mr Tulsi Tanti, Mr Anurag Behar, Dr Pradipto Ghosh, Prof S Sundar, Prof Parthasarathi Shome, Dr Akhilesh Gupta and Mr T N Thakur were unable to attend the meeting.

Item No. 1 To confirm the minutes of the thirteenth meeting of the Board of Management held on 07 July 2012.

The minutes of the thirteenth meeting of the Board of Management held on 07 July 2012 were confirmed, as circulated.

Item No. 2 Matters for information and Discussions.

- (i) The Board was informed about the status of the MSc, MBA, MA (PP&SD), MA (SDP), MTech and the doctoral programmes at the TERI University.
- (ii) The Board was informed about the MoUs signed with University of Technology Sydney, Australia, Deakin University, Australia and Simon Fraser University, Canada.
- (iii) The Chairman stressed the importance of adding more international students at the University. He suggested that the Fee Committee could be convened to consider a rationalisation of the fee structure.
- (iv) It was suggested that the MBA programmes be made fully residential, by hiring houses in the vicinity of the campus. This could be implemented with effect from 2014. The Chairman suggested that the use of the Gual-Pahari land for building a residential facility could also be explored.
- (v) The Chairman suggested that a re-evaluation of the MA (PP&SD) programme be done, so that it is made more attractive for service officers. Marketing and projection of the programme needs a review. A thought also needs to be given on introduction of international faculty as visiting faculty for the programme.

Item No. 3 Action taken on previous points.

As discussed at the last Board meeting, a three-year perspective plan was presented to the Board. This includes plans for introduction of new programmes, as well as development of new campuses of the TERI University.

Item No. 4 UNESCO Chair at TERI University.

The UNESCO Chair was officially launched at the TERI University on 09 November 2012. The Chairman requested the Board members to help in exploring generation of funds from other sources, as UNESCO will not provide any funding for this Chair.

Item No. 5 To report the decisions taken by the Chancellor on behalf of the Board of Management.

- (a) The Board approved the appointment of Prof V Ramanathan as UNESCO Chair Professor.

- (b) The Board approved the appointment of the following Assistant Professors at the TERI University:
 - 1. Dr. Chubamenla Jamir
 - 2. Dr. Anu Rani Sharma
 - 3. Dr. Shilpa Jain Surana
 - 4. Dr. Pallavi Somvanshi.

Item No. 6 Convocation.

The fifth convocation of the TERI University is planned to be held on 30 January 2013. Honorary doctorates are proposed to be awarded to a few distinguished personalities.

The Board discussed and approved the awards.

Item No. 7 Tag line of the University.

The Board discussed and approved a new tag line for the TERI University **“Knowledge for Sustainable Development”**.

This tag line, it was felt, would bring out what the University stands for, in a more appropriate manner.

Item No. 8 To discuss new areas of research and academic programmes at the TERI University.

The Chairman informed Board members that the TERI University has acquired 20 acres land in Mysore and 40 acres of land in Hyderabad. The present plan is that the Mysore campus will be earmarked as a centre for Renewable Energy and the Hyderabad campus for Environment and Health.

The Board members suggested that a one page proposal for the Hyderabad, Mysore and North-east locations be prepared, so that it could be used to seek funding.

Item No. 10 Any other item with the permission of the Chair.

The Board expressed its deep condolences on the recent bereavement suffered by Shri T N Thakur, and adjourned thereafter.